

Purpose

The Severson Learning Center (SLC) Forest and Cambridge Elementary Forest are owned and operated by the School District of Cambridge (“district”), and their operation is directed as other school (properties) in the district. The district maintains a school forest to provide environmental education and hands on experiences in a natural setting. The purpose of this policy is to allow the district to manage and maintain forest land and dispose of wood products generated by way of sound management and maintenance practices.

Wood Sales

The removal of all wood products from school forest land (timber, firewood, etc.) shall be based upon sound forest management practices.

Timber sales, as defined as cutting for the sole purpose of sale, are not permitted without the direct approval of the Director of Business Services and SLC Director. If and when a timber sale should occur, trees must be clearly marked and designated for cutting by a State forester.

Wood product generated from general maintenance and improvements that exceed the estimated resale value of \$250 will be available for sale through the normal wood sale bidding process to be initiated by the SLC Director. The SLC Director will determine the estimated value. Disposal of product located at the SLC valued under \$250 will be determined by the SLC Director with assistance from the Buildings and Grounds Director. The disposal of product located at the CES forest valued under \$250 will be determined by the Buildings and Director. Employees of the district may not receive, remove, or use wood product for personal use unless approved by the District Administrator and may be taxed as a benefit.

Net proceeds of sales of wood product from the SLC forest will go directly to support the programs and initiatives of the SLC through a designated account. The elementary school forest net proceeds will be used for the benefit of instructional programs, for environmental education or to maintain the school forest.

LEGAL REFERENCE: WI Stat. 28.22

CROSS REFERENCE:

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